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SUBJ: USRP FUNDING

REF: (A) GENEVA 05493, (B) STATE 96615.

1. MISSION HAS REVIEWED USRP REQUIREMENTS AND FINDS FIGURES SUPPLIED IN REFTEL A FULLY JUSTIFIED. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT ORIGINAL BUDGET TRANSMITTED BY LETTER TO DAS JAMES CARLIN, DECEMBER 20, 1977 CALLED FOR A FRUGAL \$13,117,800 NOT INCLUDING RESETTLEMENT GRANTS. REFTEL A CALLED ATTENTION TO DRAMATIC DEVALUATION OF US DOLLARS WHICH RAISED FUNDS NEEDED FOR MINIMUM OPERATION OF PROGRAM TO \$14,379,000 WITHOUT RESETTLEMENT GRANTS. AGAINST THIS REQUIREMENT, DEPARTMENT HAS ALLOCATED \$10,000,000.

2. FURTHER COMPLICATING SITUATION IS A DRASTIC INCREASE IN ARRIVALS FROM SOVIET UNION. WHILE OUR ORIGINAL FORECAST WAS FOR 9,700 EX-SOVIETS FOR HIAS ALONE, IT IS NOW REASONABLY CLEAR THAT THE TOTAL WILL REACH 12,000 FOR THE YEAR.

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3. MISSION HAS TAKEN THE FOLLOWING MEASURES TO EFFECT ECONOMIES:

A) ESTABLISHED MAXIMUM CARE AND MAINTENANCE SCALES FOR ITALY AND FRANCE. WE ARE IN PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING SCALE FOR AUSTRIA. THIS REDUCES CARE AND MAINTENANCE TO A CONTROLLED MINIMUM SUBSISTANCE LEVEL.

B) REDUCED ELIGIBILITY PERIOD FROM 3 YEARS TO 18 MONTHS
WHICH HAS REMOVED ABOUT 4,000 PERSONS FROM OUR ACTIVE
LISTS;

C) NEGOTIATED LOW PER CAPITA OVERHEAD COSTS WITH TWO OF
THE LARGEST AGENCIES, AND HAVE ALLOWED OTHER AGENCIES
ONLY REDUCED AMOUNTS FOR OVERHEAD.

4. IN REFTEL A, WE REPORTED THAT RESETTLEMENT GRANTS
WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR 21,395 FOR A TOTAL COST OF
\$5,348,750. AGAINST THIS NEED, DEPARTMENT ALLOCATED
\$3,000,000. BECAUSE OF INCREASED SOVIET INFLUX, HIAS
RESETTLEMENT ALONE WILL BE AT 11,300 AN INCREASE OF 2,900
OVER PREVIOUS ESTIMATE. CURRENT ESTIMATED RESETTLEMENTS
BY AGENCY AND NATIONALITY IS AS FOLLOWS:

NATION	TOTAL	PAIRC	AFCR	ICMC	IRC
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EX-USSR	12,700	-	-	200	250
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OTHER	3,672	384	320	900	335
EASTERN EUROPEAN					

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CHINESE	897	-	-	400	447
INDO-CHINESE	3,406	-	100	1,100	536
CUBANS	1,369	-	-	1,000	369
KURDS	-	-	-	-	-
OTHERS	1,788	-	-	250	38
LATIN AMERICAN	175	-	-	150	25

TOTAL	24,007	384	420	4,000	2,000
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	TF	WCC	HIAS	ACNS	LIRS	RAV	TOV
-	-	850	11,300	-	-	100	
-	673	1,060	-	-	-	-	
-	-	50	-	-	-	-	
-	50	80	-	100	1,440	-	
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	20	1,480	-	-	-	-	
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743	3,520	11,300	100	1,440	100
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NOTE: 1 - ESTIMATED 150 ETHIOPIANS, 820

5. AT PRESENT, MISSION AND AGENCIES ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED OVER LACK OF FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR DIRECT SUPPORT OF REFUGEES IN EUROPE. TOLSTOY REPORTS THAT PRESENT ALLOCATION FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE AND RESETTLEMENT DOCUMENTATION WILL BE EXHAUSTED BY MID-JULY. OTHER AGENCIES IN SIMILAR FINANCIAL CONDITION.

6. IN ORDER TO KEEP USRP IN EUROPE ALIVE, MISSION

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URGENTLY REQUESTS ALLOCATION OF \$4,379,000 AS PREVIOUSLY STATED IN REFTEL A PLUS WHATEVER DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE AVAILABLE FOR RESETTLEMENT GRANTS. IF RESETTLEMENT GRANT FUNDS NOT AVAILABLE, MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT DEPARTMENT EXPLAIN NON-AVAILABILITY OF RESETTLEMENT MONEY TO ACVA AS THIS PART OF ASSISTANCE WAS PROMISED BY DEPARTMENT TO THE US COMPONENTS OF VOLAGS AND ONLY AFFECTS THEM.

7. MISSION WILL KEEP A WATCHFUL EYE ON PROGRAM EXPENDITURES AND WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED. AT PRESENT, WE FORESEE ONLY INCREASED COST DESPITE MOST FRUGAL OPERATIONS. VANDEN HEUVEL

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